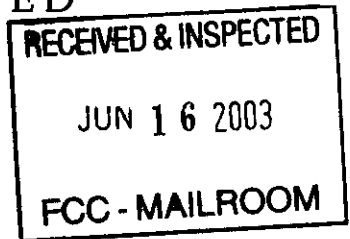


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EXCHANGE, INCORPORATED

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Re: **Interstate Common Line Support and Long Term Support**
Annual Certification Filing
CC Docket No. 96-45

This is to certify that **La Ward Telephone Exchange, Inc.** will use its **Interstate Common Line Support and Long Term Support** only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and service for which the support is intended.

I am authorized to make this certification on behalf of the company named above. This certification is for the study area(s) listed below:

Company Name	State	Study Area Code
La Ward Telephone Exchange, Inc.	Texas	442103

(If necessary, attach a separate list of additional study areas and check this box.) ☐

Terri Parker
[Signature of Authorized Representative]

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